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Description: Dan Ryan Expressway

Dan Ryan Expressway is a four year road reconstruction project south of Chicago. The project addresses reduction of carbon monoxide (CO), hydrocarbons (HC), nitrogen oxides (NO_x), and particulate matter (PM) through idle-reduction practices, EPA verified emission control devices, ultra-low sulfur diesel fuel, dust control measures, air quality monitoring, and 24-hour response to concerns.

Construction Air Quality - Dust Control

Description. This work shall consist of developing and implementing a detailed Dust Control Plan (DCP). Development of a DCP is required in "Non-Attainment" and "Maintenance" areas, per Article 107.36 of the Standard Specifications. All construction activities shall be governed by the DCP. The nature and extent of dust generating activities, and specific control techniques appropriate to specific situations shall be discussed at the pre-construction meeting, with subsequent development of the DCP to include but not be limited to the requirements below.

The Contractor is responsible for the control of dust at all times during the duration of the Contract, 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, including non-working hours, weekends, and holidays. This work shall be considered complete after the completion of all permanent erosion control measures required for the Contract, and after all temporary and permanent seeding has taken place. Work on this Contract shall be conducted in a manner that will not result in generating excessive air borne particulate matter (PM) or nuisance dust conditions.

The DCP shall include legible copies of the product literature and Material Safety Data Sheets for dust suppression agents and stabilizers the Contractor proposes to use. The Dust Control Plan shall involve the implementation of control measures before, during and after conducting any dust generating operation. These controls must be in place on non-working days and after working hours, not just while work is being done on the site. The Dust Control Plan must contain information specific to the Contract site, proposed work, and dust control measures to be implemented. A copy of the Dust Control Plan must be available on the Contract site at all times.

The Dust Control Plan must contain, at a minimum, all of the following information:

Name, address and phone number of the person(s) responsible for the dust generating operation and for the submittal and implementation of the Dust Control Plan.

A drawing specifying the site boundaries of the Contract with the areas to be disturbed, the locations of the nearest public roads, and all planned exit and entrance locations to the site from any paved public roadways.

Control measures to be applied to all actual and potential fugitive dust sources before, during and after conducting any dust generating operation, including non-work hours and non-work days.

A list of dust suppressants to be applied, including product specifications, Material Safety Data Sheets, and product label instructions that include the method, frequency and intensity of applications; and information on the environmental impacts and approval or certifications related to the appropriate and safe use for ground applications.

A contingency plan consisting of at least one contingency measure for each activity occurring on the site in case the primary control measure proves inadequate.

The Contractor shall submit two copies of the DCP that outlines in detail the measures to be implemented by the Contractor complying with this section, including prevention, cleanup, and other measures at least 14 days before beginning any dust generating activity. The Contractor shall not begin any dust generating activities until the Engineer approves the DCP in writing. Failure to comply with the DCP or provisions herein will subject the Contractor to an "Environmental Deficiency Deduction," as outlined below.

Materials

1. Dust Suppression Agents

Dust suppression agents shall be water soluble, non-toxic, non-reactive, non-volatile, and non-foaming. The use of petroleum for dust control is prohibited.

Calcium Chloride shall conform to the requirements of Article 1013.01 of the Standard Specifications. Other commercially available dust suppression agents may be substituted for calcium chloride subject to the approval of the Engineer. Material Safety Data Sheets shall be reviewed and approved by the Engineer prior to the use of any substances other than Calcium Chloride.

Water shall meet the requirements of Article 1002 of the Standard Specifications.

2. Soil stabilizers shall consist of seed and mulch meeting the requirements of Article 1081.06 (a) (2) and (3).

3. Covers for stockpiles shall be commercially available plastic tarps, or other materials approved by the Engineer.

Construction Methods. Dust suppression agents shall be used to provide temporary control of dust on haul roads and other active work areas. Several applications per day may be necessary to control dust depending upon meteorological conditions and work activity. The Contractor shall apply dust suppression on a routine basis as necessary or as directed by the Engineer to control dust. Wet suppression consists of the application of water or a wetting agent in solution with water. Wetting agents shall not be applied directly to live plant material. Wet suppression equipment shall consist of sprinkler pipelines, tanks, tank trucks or other devices approved by the Engineer, capable of providing a regulated flow, uniform spray and positive shut off.

Calcium chloride dust suppression agents may be used in lieu of wet suppression only when freezing conditions exist. Calcium chloride shall be uniformly applied by a mechanical spreader at a rate of 1 and 1/2 pounds per square yard or its equivalent liquid, unless otherwise directed by the Engineer. Calcium chloride shall not be directly applied to live plant material.

Calcium chloride shall not be stored outdoors without an impermeable cover. Storage shall be on an impermeable surface such as paved asphalt or appropriately treated concrete of sufficient thickness to avoid exfiltration. Storage shall be as airtight as possible to limit the calcium chloride's absorbing moisture from the air. No storage facilities shall be allowed within 100 ft. of a storm sewer, or any other drain. Positive drainage shall be maintained on all treated surfaces. Ditches, culverts and other structures shall be kept clean to ensure proper drainage and to limit the amount of water infiltrating earth surfaces and thereby leeching out chlorides. If calcium chloride is applied dry, or during dry periods, and crystals are seen on the road surface, the road shall be wetted sufficiently to dissolve the calcium chloride. Wetting shall be limited to an amount that will sufficiently cause the calcium chloride to penetrate the surface but not to the point of causing any runoff from the road surface. Other approved dust suppression agents shall be applied and used as per the manufacturer's instructions.

Haul truck cargo areas shall be securely covered during the transport of materials on public roadways that are prone to cause dust.

Public Roadway Dust Control. Track out, including carryout and spillage of material that adheres to the exterior surfaces of or are spilled from motor vehicles and/or equipment and

subsequently fall onto a paved public roadway shall be controlled at all times. Clean up of carryout and spillage is required immediately if it extends a cumulative distance of 50 ft. or more on a paved public roadway. If the extent of carryout is less than 50 ft., clean up at the end of the day shall be permissible. Clean up of paved surfaces shall be by a wet spray power vacuum street sweeper. Dry power sweeping shall be prohibited.

Control of Earthwork Dust. During batch drop operations (i.e. earthwork with a front-end loader, clamshell bucket, or backhoe), the free drop height of excavated or aggregate material shall be reduced to minimum heights as necessary to perform the specified task, and to minimize the generation of dust. To prevent spills during transport, a minimum of 2 inches of freeboard space shall be maintained between the material load and the top of the truck cargo bed rail. A maximum drop height of two feet (or minimum height allowed by equipment) shall be allowed, or to heights as directed by the Engineer.

Control of Dust on Stockpiles and Inactive Work Areas. The Contractor shall use the following methods to control dust and wind erosion of stockpiles and inactive areas of disturbed soil:

Dust suppression agents shall be used during active stockpile load-in, load-out, and maintenance activities.

Soil stabilizers (hydraulic or chemical mulch) shall be applied to the surface of inactive stockpiles and other inactive areas of disturbed soil. Final grading and seeding of inactive areas shall occur immediately after construction activity is completed in an area and as directed by the Engineer.

Plastic tarps may be used on small stockpiles, secured with sandbags or an equivalent method approved by the Engineer, to prevent the cover from being dislodged by the wind. The Contractor shall repair or replace the covers whenever damaged or dislodged at no additional cost.

Method of Measurement. All measuring devices shall be furnished by the Contractor and approved by the Engineer.

Calcium chloride and other approved dust suppression agents shall be mixed with water at the rate specified by the manufacturer and measured for payment in units of 1000 Gallons of solution applied.

The application of soil stabilizers shall be measured by weight (pounds) of soil stabilizer. The soil stabilizer will then be added to water to form a solution in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendation.

All other dust control measures will not be measured for payment.

Basis of Payment. The application of dust suppression agents shall be paid for at the contract unit price per unit for APPLYING DUST SUPPRESSION AGENT.

Soil stabilizers will be paid for at the contract price per pound for SOIL STABILIZERS.

All other dust control measures will not be paid for directly but shall be considered as included in the various items involved and no additional compensation will be allowed.